LOYAL WOMAN'S WORK

Fashions---Conversation Club---Brain-Rackers, etc.

AN ALBUM QUILT. One of our friends writes us to know how to make an album quilt. Now, of course, there are many ways, but one we recently saw was made of triangular pieces of pink calico and white muslin, as follows: Take a piece of paper and cut a piece two inches square, fold diagonally and cut along the crease. Then take one piece for the pink and the other for the white. Sew together in strips two yards and a quarter way. On every white piece should be written, before joining, the name of the friend, in indelible iuk. The quilt when finished is very handsome, the names looking like Japanese figures. A benevolent society, or a Relief Corps, can add very easily to the money in their treasury by making a quilt of this kind, charging 10

cents for each name placed on the pieces. A NOVEL TABLE-COVER. Select fine peacock feathers and arrange them on a good-sized piece of felt, or firm cloth of any kind. The quili ends must be split at the bottom in order to secure them easily. Several loops of wide satin ribbon will cover the unsightly part of the quills and form a handsome finish. The feathers must be tacked with a few stitches here and there. Old-gold satin barmonizes with the feathers, and the bows may be of the shades of bine of the "eyes."

FLOWER TRIMMING FOR DRESSES. Now that flower petals are so much used for trimming evening dresses, or the bodices of dressy suits, our girls may make their own of velvet or satin, as follows: Take any artificial flower, detach the petals and place them on the material to be used, and cut it exactly the shape of the pattern. Afterward vein or tint the petals cut out, as may be desired, and they are ready to sew on the dress.

Conversation Club.

Rules of the Club .- 1. Write briefly. 2. Write on one side of the paper. 3. Write to the point. 4. Write on one subject. 5. Write your best. Each week the names of those writing the best lettersstyle, composition, spelling, penmanship and gen-al merit considered—will be named at the head of this column on the Honor Roll. First honor will include all of these requirements. Second honor will include a deficiency in some one point. No others will be named.

HONOR ROLL-REST LETTERS. First Honor-T. G. Kittredge, Walden, Vt. cond Honor-Josie Wattles, Grace Scott, Oxford, Ind.; Ed. E. Watts, Mulberry Grove, Ill.

Correct answers have been sent by Chas. Smith, Du Bois City, Pa.; Sarah McMahon, Spring Bluff, Wis.; Dell Howe (daughter of Lient. Howe, 64th Ohio); Edith E. Watkins, Hilisdale, Mich.; F. G. Kittredge, Walden, Vt.: Thos. F. Addy, Sleepy Eye, Minn.; Rosie Nell Judd, Ashiand, Mich.; E. E. Watts, Mulberry Grove, Ill.; Herbert C. Norris, Lost Creek, W. Va.

GLEANERS AND GUESSERS.

VALUE OF INVENTIONS. FRIENDS OF THE CLUE: On the new question before the Ciub, "Resolved, That inventions are a | Sleep."-E. Edith Miller, Needmore, Ind. benefit to the laboring-classes," I take the affirmative. Boys of the Club, would you not think it was terrible if you should have to go out to till the fields with a crocked stick? Or if you should have to pound or thrash wheat with a ffail? What would the farmers of Kansas do who have to thrash their thousands of bushels of grain? How many of the tweet C. C. ladies would like to have kept house a few undred years ago? Ah! boys, it is a great deal nicer to sit on a harvester than to swing a cradle, and it is a preat deal nicer to ride behind the great fron-horse than it is to ride behind a team of slow ungainly oxen. My father is a veteran of the 59th Ind. and the famous Fifteenth Corps, commanded by Gen. Logan.-Andrew Mahuran, Nickerson,

SOMETHING ABOUT MAD-STONES. FRIENDS OF THE CLUB: In response to request

I will say the mad-stone, it is popularly believed, will insure its possessor against hydrophobia and death by snake-bite. A Western paper says that although the stones are rare one is known to exist at Des Moines, one at Louisville, and one at Taylorville, Ill. Many people doubt the stone's existence. Where the mad-stones come from no one seems to know; their possessors are not able to tell. An old Indian chief said that the stones were found in the stomachs of extremely old buck deers. The stone is porous, and when it is applied to a wound the virus passes through it into the bandages. The me, after being washed, may be again applied.-F. Craig, Leominster, Mass.

CAPTURE OF WASHINGTON ARTILLERY. FRIENDS OF THE CLUB: Miss Smith, Lincoln, Ill., asks, in THE TRIBUNE of April 9, if the Washington Artillery of New Orleans was captured during the war. My papa can answer that question by saying yes; for on the night after the storming of Mission Ridge his regiment was on the skirmish-line and struck the rebel line of retreat, and captured two pieces of artillery belonging to the Washington Artillery of New Orleans and also the sword of Captain Beauregard. The sword is still in the possession of the person who captured it—Mr. J. Zughenbuler, of this place. The regiment my papa served in was the 16th U. S. Inf., Co. A.—Maggie Young, Dubuque, Iowa.

THE VETERAN'S PRIZE. FRIENDS OF THE CLUE: Ettie Jones, Barry Co. Mich., got the prize ship. "Who is my Friend."
was the subject of her letter. To any one who will send me the best song, I will return a beautiful picture, showing a general view of the Soldiers' Home. Give your P. O. address in full when writing to me. This offer runs out May 17, 1885. It is fun to see the old vets turn up the white of their eyes on Friday when THE TERBUNE is delivered to them by our worthy Postmaster. A stranger might think, to see such expressions of delight, that they had just got good news from the Pension Office; but the good news from THE TRIBUNE OFFICE is just as welcome.-Harrison P. Hayes, Co. F. 2d N. Y. Cav., Box 272, National Military Home, Dayton, Montgomery Co., O.

COMPLETING A QUOTATION. FRIENDS OF THE CLUB: Can I be admitted for a few minutes, as I love young people? I notice a few words from the wife of Lee D. Gray, Co. I, 13th Iowa, in which she introduces two admirable

"I slept and dreamed that life was beauty; I woke and found that life was duty.' Add to this fragment the following: "Was my dream, then, a shadowy lie?

'Toil on,' said heart, 'courageously

And thou shalt find thy life to be A noonday light and truth to thee." The whole I found floating in some paper in '61, in those days of sacrifice at home-sending brothers to the front, never to return-and used the whole to dedicate a journal for the year. How little can our boys and girls realize the intense life of those days.-Almeria L. Bliss Stearns (wife of veteran James II. Stearns, Co. H, 17th Mich.), Leoni,

RECORD OF THE LAMB FAMILY. FRIENDS OF THE CLUB; I am gathering records of all Lamb families in the United States. I would like to correspond with any of the name who read THE TRISUNE. I would also like to hear from any who have access to old Lamb records and from those who live near cemeteries where Lambs are buried. I will make a present to any one who will copy and send records or inscriptions,-Frank B.

Lamb, Jackson, Pa. The Carlons Corner. [Answers to questions will not be published within two or three weeks after questions appear. So all will have a chance to send replies. The letter of the one sending the answers in the best form will be given. Others will receive honorable mention.] Jane Monigomery: "Rough and Ready" was the name given Gen. Zachery Taylor by his soldiers in the Mexican war.—Charles Smith, Du Bois City, Pa.

In the description of the Manas Land and agree with Miss Nancy C. Fields.—G. W. Waughan, Mulberry Grove, Kan.

Would exchange letters with Madge Lee and any

Wesley Brewer: Stephen A. Douglas was called the "Little Giant."—Mabel Vaun, East Ratiff, Ill. Mabel Vaun: The President who chose a seat near the sugar barrel, when lounging in the stores. was President Lincoln. And he was the same who called out, "Speed, what is the price of a bedstead, mattress, pillows and bed clothing," and who transferred all his effects in a pair of saddle-bags, and then said, "Well, I've moved."-Nettie E. Spencer, Tunnel, N. Y. Wesley Erewer: It was Benedict Arnold who

asked a prisoner, captured by the British this ques-tion: "If the Americans should catch me what would they do with me?" During the war with Mexico, in how many battles were the Mexicans victorious?-Minnie Goodenow, Elk Creek, Pa. Who was known as the Path Finder? Who was known as Fighting Joe?-A. C. Bolinger, St. Paris, Ohio. What Presidents were church members?—Vira

Stowell, Big Spring, Wis. Name the Summer months of Chili? What place in the world has no latitude and longitude? For

what is the Mississippi River especially fitted?— Laura Weed, Bloomington, Ill.

What General arose from a sick bed to lead his troops into a battle in which he was killed?—Edith E. Watkins, Hillsdale, Mich. To whom was the term "Old Hunkers" applied? Who was called the Mill Boy of the Slashes?—F. G.

Kittredge, Walden, Vt. What is the oldest military organization in

What is the oldest military organization in America? Who was it at the opening of the battle of Bunker Hill borrowed Gen. Ward's horse, and, seizing a gun, galloped off to the scene of action? Who wrote to Sir James Wallace, saying, "Sir, always catch a man before you hang him"; and why was it written?"—Carrie M. Libby, Dexter, Me. What is it God never saw, George Washington seldom saw, but we see every day?—Mary Barber. BIBLE BRIGADE.

What verse in the Bible is peculiarly applicable to the case of the discovery of Jeff. Davis by disclos-ing his sex by showing his heels beneath the crino-line? Where in the Bible is a dumb animal made to speak? Would like correspondents West.-Robert S. Bliss, Warren, Mass.

Tribune Exchange. Will some one please tell me what to feed various kinds of pet birds "-Daughter of Captain of Co. F.

autographs with gentlemen sending me pieces of their cravats.—Mary Emma Chilberg, La Conner, Wash. Ter. Would like the words of "Washington's Dream.

-Flora Dicus, daughter of a veteran of 57th Ohio, Lucky Valley, Iowa. A Hawkeye girl would correspond with a girl from Florida, Colorado, or California, and exchange pieces for erazy work for mosses or flowers. Could not do without TRIBUNE.-Claudine Bishop, Red

Would exchange cards for postal album with members of the Club.—Henrietta E. Schwab, Kent, Jefferson Co., Ind. Will exchange photographs with the C. C. Father (34th Iowa veteran) has read THE TRIBUNE three years, and we would be lost without it .- I. H. Keyes, Ass't P. M., Barnston, Neb. Would exchange cards with sons and daughters of veterans.—Win. H. McLain (15; son of a veteran of 1st Battery, 17th U. S.), box 131, Gardiner, Me.

Father, whose name is John Irvin, one of Sherman's boys, wants all old soldiers to write their full name, company and regiment that they served in, giving rank, date of enlistment, and date of discharge, plainly, with black ink, on a postal card, and long. Join the pieces and quilt in the usual mail it to him. He wants them to complete a postal-card record of every man that served in the Union army and was living on the memorable 4th day of March, A. D. 1885.—Mina E. Irvin, Perrys-Father would like the words of "Dixie's Land

in which occur the words "Our flag shall wave to the Rio Grande." Father was shot through both hips at Magnolia Church and captured at Cedar Church. John S. Kempler's views on rinks I think correct.-Reuben S. Cartwright, Delany's Creek,

I would like the words of the following: "Oh, this lonesome, dreary prison, Oh, this cruel rebel den; Where our mothers' sons are lying

Treated more like dogs than men!"
and "The Drummer Boy of Shiloh." Father served in Co. A, 5th Ohio Cav .- Alice Morford, Bethel, O. I wish to correct a mistake in regard to the late Capt, Thomas Sharp, of Fort Totten. He leaves no wife, she having died of consumption last November at her old home on Mackinaw Island, Mich. She was a full cousin of my father, Dr. H. N. Rice Co. B, 74th Ind., who has taken THE TRIBUNE three years, and thinks there is none like it. We have also "The National War Songs," but mother says one piece is lacking—"Vicksburg is Taken; or, The Wonderful Fourth of July." Can any one tell where to get it?-Stella Rice, Fairmont, Mich. Mrs. C. A. Osborne, Eustis, Fla., says she has received great quantities of silk, satin and velvet pieces, and will return curiosities, as per promise as fast as possible. She cannot respond to any after date, and promises a brief letter on Florida for THE TRIBUNK in response to inquiries.

If Laura S. Wilson will write I will send the piece she calls for. Father left a foot in the Shenand Valley while serving in Co A, 9th N. Y. H. A., and would hear from comrades.—Elizabeth A. Hannan, Sanborn, Iowa. I am 17 years old; came to this country in 1877 during the Nez Perces war. I have lots of speci-

mens, such as rocks, fossils, Indians' spears, etc., and will exchange for books, new or second-hand. Any boy or girl wishing to exchange, please in-form me what kind of books they have and kind of specimens wanted. Father's name is Robert G. Rees, Sergeant, Co. K, 81st Ill.; was at Port Gibson Champion Hills, Big Black River, Siege of Vicks-burg, Mobile and many others. Uncle John Rees was killed at Fort Hill.—John E. Rees, Junction,

I will exchange photographs with young ladies under 21, and end a pair of opera glasses to the prettiest, the prize to be awarded by the 1st of June. I am 22 years of age; good looking; five feet seven inches high; brown hair. My father, Jacob Burk private in Co. H, 75th Pa., was killed July 1, 1863 at the battle of Gettysburg. I belong to Co. A, 3d regiment, N. G. Pa. Who received the smoking cap from Bertha E. Burke?-Albert Burk, 744 Fair-

mont Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
Would like crazy pieces and the words of "Curfew Shall Not Ring To-night,"—L. Mollie Shelton, Bradyville, O. Would like "Dublin Bay" and "Rock Me to Avis St. Claire: Occasionally an erroneou has crept in, but the majority in each case settled it. Would like "The Last Fierce Charge" and "The Siege of Sebastapol."-Alice George, Sheboygan,

Any one who would write to a soldier's son between 18 and 35, who does not admire baugs, may address-Denver C. Garner, West Grove, Iowa. A dark gentleman will receive a reply by addressing a daughter of a veteran .- E. Whitely, Ortonville, Minn. A daughter of a 55th Ohio veteran will exchange soldier songs for "Nellie Gray," "Minnie Minton," and "Jennie Low." Address-Claudie A. Pruden Havara, O.

CLUB WHISPERS.

Can any one give me the English of this Spanish proverb: "Ninas y vinas son mala guardar"?-Minerva V. Alexander, Madera, Pa. proverb: I think James H. Mortimer right in calling Jen nie to account for her extreme views. I do not ad-mire drunkards, but pity them. How would the Club like to discuss this question : Resolved, The rum seller is worse than the drinker? Will James Mortimer write me?-Lucy Hooper, Worcester,

Slang is so prevalent, used by old and young, rich and poor, that we will have to do as Thomas A' Kempis said, "Govern our thoughts when alone and our tongues when in company," in order to overcome the use of it. If we do not do this and should adopt the editor's plan, what an accumula-tion of pennies there will be. I would like to exchange pieces for recitation with the Club.-Della Strong, Springfield, Pa. I agree with James Mortimer about the saloons

being emptied into the skating rinks, and just for that reason I think they should not be patronized by young ladies and gentlemen of respectability. I would exchange cards or letters with the Club.— Jennie Gorsline, 358 South Calhoun street, Fort

One who holds that an education is better than great riches, and whose father was a soldier in the 21st Mich., would hear from friends west of the Rocky Mountains or in the far South.-Bert E. Loomis, Reed City, Mich. There is positively no paper like The Tribune. As between wealth and education, give me educa-

tion. A rich ignoramus is a ridiculous specimen.-Charles Smith, Du Bois City, Pa. The son of a soldier of Co. G, 14th N. Y. H. A., would like letters, and the song in which occur these words:

After she got married, She told of the fun, How she hunted the farmer With her dog and her gun,

-Herbie L. Davis, Sand Lake, Mich. -Dear boys and girls, we cannot use slang without lowering ourselves in some one's estimation or losing our own self-respect. It is a careless habit, and is a mark of carelessness in other things. I have broken myself of the habit, and think it is a subject all should carefully consider.-Willamette Snedeker, Aurora, Ohio.

We have taken THE TRIBUNE only a little while, but we like it better than any other paper we have ever read. Father was in the war. I would an swer personal letters.-Elsie Herrick, Suspension Some time ago, in a letter published in THE TRIB-

UNE, I promised to send my card in beautiful-style penmanship, to all sending me their own and a penpicture to the one sending me the best written letter. I received a large number of letters, which are yet unanswered, for the reason that I have been very sick with lung-fever, but that promise is good and will be fulfilled as soon as I am able to write my best. The offer is also still open. Father served in the 83d Vt.; he is now a pension agent, and belongs to Burnside Post, No. 6, Department of Ver-My father was a member of Co. A, 60th Ohio. He

mont.-T. G. Kittredge, Walden, Vt. has only taken THE TRIBUNE for one year, but has come to the conclusion that no soldier should do without it; and pathinks the best thing the Illinois Legislature can do for themselves and the people is to elect Gen. John A. Logan United States Senator and adjourn.-Eddie E. Watts, Mulberry Grove, Ill. 1 am a member of Wm, H. Norris Camp, S. of V.

Oneonta, father having served in the 114th and 89th N. Y. We all think THE TRIBUNE splendid. Here is my autograph yerse: Ch. how sweet, but oh, how bitter, to court a girl and then not get her .- Chas. W. Southworth, Oncouta, Otsego Co., N. Y. Nellie, age 17, Maude, age 16, Hattie, age 17, wish to correspond with soldiers' sons. Address Box 192, Fredericksburg, Iowa, If Josie Kirkland will write me, I will send 'Curfew Will Not Ring To-Night." Would like 'Father, Come Home,"—Miss B. J. Johnson, Me-

Cook, Neb. I fill the description of the Kansas Young Man, of her style, which suits me,-Zella R. Forney, Box 560, Osceola, Iowa. I am sorry to say I have never read one word from any of father's comrades in The Tribune, which we all read. Now, please let us hear from some of the 36th Ohio boys,-Lizzie Martin, Glen-

wood, Iowa. AUTOGRAPH ALBUM VERSES. An autograph is something real, And, too, partakes of the ideal; It is the work of heart and hand

And will in memory ever stand Then let each autograph be found With love and friendship to abound, And may some happy thought entwine About each written name and line.
- Lulu M. Spore, Decatur, Ill.

This is my autograph sentiment: Remember me in the hours of leisure, Remember me in the hours of pleasure; And if forgotten in the hour of care, Remember me in the hour of prayer. would like the song "Parted by the River Side." -Miss Jennie Thayer, Box 115, Sturgeon Bay, Mich. Let me send an autograph sentiment, with thanks to those who sent me the words of "Jennie, the Flower of Kildare." I like The Tribune ever so

well. Picase note change of address.
You may dress in silk and in satin, You may know the Greek and the Latin, You may be fair, may love and sigh, But you're little good if you can't make pie. —Ella Timberlake, Unionville, Mo.

I am in favor of the girls putting on style and banging their hair if they wish to do so; but, dear girls, don't invest too much in style and bangs. A fair education, with good deportment, is far preferable. I will give you a verse for an autograph I write not here for beauty, I write not here for fame; But only to be remembered As long as life remain.

-Herbert C. Morris (son of 3d W. Va. Cav. vet eran), Lost Creek, W. Va. Our Young Recruits. Papa served in the 3d Me., and was seven months at Andersonville. He belongs to Post No. 10, and mamma is Conductor of Relief Corps No. 11. In Will send a crazy pineushion for silk pieces and I two years my trother will be eligible to the S. of I boxes.

V's .- Lottie M. Hubbard (12), 168 Chandler street, Worcester, Mass.
I am always interested in THE TRIBUNE, as father fought in the 18th Pa. Cav. with Kilpatrick, Wilson, Custer and Sheridan, and was wounded at Cold Harbor.—Willie Elms, Fordyce, Pa. Little Ada Surles must write again. Have not I am II; live at Bladenville, Ill. Papa was a soldier four years. Please find my name in the following

In net, not in fish; in eat, not in dish; In learn, not in mind; in loose, not in find; In ink, not in pen; in tiger and in den; In you, not in me: in roach, not in flea: In run and in ran; in cake, not in pan. My whole is my name. I am a little girl of 12 Summers, and live on a farm

two and a half miles north of Iola. I have a sister 16 and an adopted sister four, and go to a school taught by my aunt. Papa was a soldier in Co. H, 154th Ill. Ever faithful to THE TRIBUNE—Selia D. Heth. Iola, Ill. My father is Samuel Hayes, 64th Ohio; wounded wice. I had four uncles in the army. Papa would

like to hear from some of his company who went from Van Wert, Ohio.—Edith Hayes (10), Medicine Lodge, Kan. Father served in the 27th N. Y., and thinks the Mexican pension bill should pass. Long live THE TRIBUNE to help the soldiers.-Flora French, Box 350, Binghamton, N. Y. The prettiest little letter imaginable comes from Anna Maud Bebout, Darlington, Pa., with a request for letters and the following appropriate album

Have courage, friend, and do not stumble, Though your path be dark as night; There is a star to guide the humble-Trust in God and all is right. Papa would hear from Co. A, 3d Wis. veterans, and I from the children.—Cora Lord (12), Adrian,

DEAR MR. EDITOR. I THOUGHT I WOULD SEE IF I COULD WRITE YOU AS NICE A LETTER AS WILLIE GRUBER DID LAST WEEK. MY HOME IN THE NORTH IS NOT VERY FAR FROM HIS HOME FOR I LIVE AT YEL-LOW SPRINGS, OHIO: MY PAPA HAS A FINE ORAN-GE GROVE DOWN HERE, AND WE COME HERE EVERY WINTER. I AM ONLY SIX YEARS OLD. I CAN BEAD AND SPELL AND AM LEARN ING TO WRITE BUT I NEVER WENT TO SCHOOL MY PAPA'S NAME IS CHARLES PALMER, HE WAS IN THE WAR MORE THAN FOUR YEARS. HE WAS IN CO. B 1st WIS. CAV. & CO. D 1st WIS. H. A. HE HAS LOTS OF BOOKS AND PAPERS BUT LIKES TO READ THE TRIBUNE BEST OF ANY OF THEM. MARY ELLA PALMER ORANGE HIGHTS, FLA.

BRAIN-RACKERS

From Our Young Contributors. [To CONTRIBUTORS: In sending answers name No. of TRIBUNE in which the puzzle is found. Answers of guessers may be forwarded within a week after receiving this TRIBUNE. Do not make numerical enigmas of your own names. Answers must accompany all puzzles forwarded.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLES. Gertrude Davenport's Chronogram-Mile, melon, N. G. Norton's Enigma-Longfellow,

Ella L. Adair's Enigma-Terre Haute. SUCCESSFUL GUESSERS. Bert Roach, Woodhull, Ill.; H. W. Pierson, Woodville, N. Y.; Pearl Robinson, Sigonier, Ind.; E. G. Thayer, Omega, Ind.; Mobie A. Carter, Lamartine, Ohio: Ella P. Dayton, Petroleum, Pa.: S. R. Skinner, Arcola, Ind.; Mabel Siverd, Winfield, Kan.; Carrie Stowell, Big Spring, Wis.; T. G. Kittredge, Walden, Caledonia Co., Vt.; Martin Battle, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mary Barber, Sandy Lake, Pa.; James L. Cole, Rochester, Pa.; Milton S. Tener, Lee's Creek, Clinton Co., Ohio,

THE GREAT SOLDIER PUZZLE. Composed by Joseph Anderson twenty years ago, while on guard at Big Limestone water tank on the Nashville & Decatur Railroad. How many

combinations can our readers make out of it? R A W W A S I E R E I S A W W A A W W A S I E R E R E I S A W W W W A S I E R E I E R E I S A W SIEREIS AND SIEREIS EREIS AWASIEREI EREIS AWASIEREI EISAWWAWWASIEI ISAWWARAWWASI SAWWAWWASIE I E R E I S A W W W A S I E R I S I E R E I S A W A S I E R E I WWASTERETERETSAWW AWWASTERERETSAWWA RAWWASIEREISAWWAR

LAURA B.'S ENIGMA. In the creating, I was made And bound with cords into my bed, And in it I'm obliged to keep While I have life, awake or asleep, But I can rove, though I am bound, Though all this time I keep my bed-Perhaps not move my cover-lid.

> CHLOE'S PUZZLE. BeD

BEREADINGS. Take away my first and last letters, and you will have a weight. Take away my first and second, and you will have a number. Put altogether, and you will have what is seen every day in the street. -James L. Cole, Rochester, Pa.

> A FAVORITE ENIGMA. My 1 is in no, but not in yes; 2 is in cat, but not in puss; 3 is in strand, but not in ground; 4 is in noise, my 5 in sound 6 is in one, but not in two: 7 is in all, but not in pen; 8 is in live, but not in die; 9 not in do, but is in try; 10 is in run, but not in walk; 11 is in stick, but not in stock; 12 is in be, but not in do; 13 is in gum, but not in chew; 11 is in new, but not in old: 15 is in brave, but not in bold I've given you this puzzle, as a man; So now catch it if you can. My 15 letters, you have seen, And handled them o'er and o'er again.

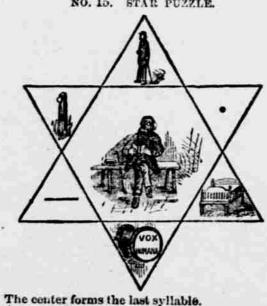
ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLES. No. 12-Rebus, Acrostic and Anagram, PACKAGE

PEARS BENCH HASSOCK PLATE BASIN No. 13-Diamond Puzzle.

IMP APPLE IMPLEMENT TRUMPET SHELL INK



The figures represent letters in their order. Three things that every boy and girl likes. Answer next week. NO. 15. STAR PUZZLE.



The center forms the last syllable. Answer next week.

"I have been afflicted with an Affection of the Throat from childhood, caused by diphtheria, and have used various remedies, but have never found anything equal to Brown's Brokenial Troches.

—Rev. G. M. F. Hampton, Pileton Ky. Sold only in boxes.

FALLING of the great bridge that spans the East River! A rumor to this effect was heard throughout the city last evening, and caused, for a time, a tremendous excitement, especially as it was reported that many were killed. Later intelligence makes no mention of any accident, and the people are still crossing and re-crossing, many of them being on their way to purchase a box of Graefenberg Pills, which medicine cures all diseases of the digestive organs. These Pills are sold by all druggists.

[To Correspondents.-Write questions on a sep-Some Practical Suggestions for Our Agricultural Readers.

J #101 GRAFTING APPLE TREES.

As every farm has more or less apple trees of natural fruit that is of little value except for making cider or feeding purposes, these can be made valuable by grafting to some good marketable fruit: and every farmer should become sufficiently skilled in the business to be able to do the work himself, which he can if he will only exercise a little judgment and be reasonably careful in his work. But few tools are necessary-a saw, a strong pocket-knife and a wedge made of hard, seasoned wood will make up the necessary outfit and answer all the purposes required as well as the more expensive and elaborate implements that are advertised for that purpose.

It is usually practical to cut scions during the Winter, placing them in the cellar in moist earth until required for use; but if grafts are inserted as soon as cut they may be taken off at the time they are wanted for use. The branches for grafting should be selected with a view to forming a handsome and open top or head to the tree. When everything is all ready take the saw and carefully remove the branches at such points as are desired, being very careful not to disturb or slit the bark. If from the size of the branch there is any danger of this, it is full bounty to those who were discharged by reabetter to saw twice; first cut off a little above where the graft is to be inserted, and then a stub can be cut off with little danger of interference with the bark if reasonable care is exercised. To do the sawing a fine tooth saw is much to be preferred if it can be had, as it is less likely to mangle the bark, and would leave a smoother surface. After sawing off the limbs pare off the sawed

surface of the branch smoothly with a knife as before, being very careful not to disturb the bark. Having done this, with a knife and light hammer split the branch through the center | Act? Answer. No. and drive in the wedge. Now we are ready for the scions. These should be of the previous cording to their length; then with a very sharp knife cut the lower end to a wedge and at the same time a very little wedging from one side of the scion to the other. Insert the scion in the opening caused by the wedge, being very careful to bring the line of the bark upon the outside of the scion as nearly in conjunction with the line of the bark upon the branch as may be. It is sometimes well to set the scion at a very slight angle, which will be likely to insure an intersection of the bark lines at some point. The scion should also be set as deeply as it is cut in the sharpening, so as to leave no that he was sound when he enlisted, in order to get exposed woody surface. If the branch is small, a pension? Answer. As a rule no, unless there is but one scion need be inserted; if larger, two an adverse record or some other good reason may be used; and even in very large ones we have seen four put in, but we cannot recommend that course. Having inserted the scion | act length and average depth of Lake Superior? or scions, as the case may be, carefully remove | Answer. Greatest length 360 miles, mean depth the wedge without disturbing them, and then about 1,000 feet. apply the grafting wax over the cut surface of the branch, being careful to protect every part, same being lost, stolen or miscarried. The Pension pressing it gently about the scions and over the cracks made in splitting, so as to prevent the ber of check. 1. What will she have to do to get introduction of any moisture, or of the dry air, which would also be injurious. This being done the work is accomplished, and in a little time the flow of sap which finds its way into the scion will send life into its buds, and they will unfold and develop as though nothing had hap-

pened. - Germantown Telegraph. THE VERMONT FORESTS. From 80 to 90 per cent. of the native forests of Vermont have been cleared away, but the during the war. general annual decrease is now very small. In some parts of the State there is an actual inrecommends that these mills be excluded from the benefit of the statute exempting manufacturing establishments from taxation, even if it adopts no severer measures. The commission also recommends the passage of a law punishof forest fires, and no one will deny it is needed. Alleged "sportsmen" and reckless campers-out are responsible for the devastation of a vast ther proof. Write to the Commissioner of Pensions and ask him how the claim for wound stands. amount of woodland.

NOTELETS. - Don't forget that the pasture fields should have some attention, at least, as well as the grain fields. Weeds, briers, and bushes should be eradicated from them just as carefully as from the potato lot. Many farmers would be astonished to know how greatly the pasture yield can be increased by the aid of a little keeping down of all alien growth.-San Francisco Chronicle.

-There is nothing more injurious to a sheep than to lie on a fermenting-manure pile. - Do not forget the great value of wood ashes. They are valuable in the orehard, in | mine the facts. the garden, and in the fields.

- A cow giving milk should never be fat. Either the milk is deficient in quantity or The widow remarried in 1882. If soldier's pension quality, often both. The best cows are never is allowed, will the minor children be entitled to fine-looking animals, except to the eye of an expert, who can see behind the rough and bony frame evidences of good-milking qualities.

- A Canadian farmer advises the planting of maple-sugar orchards on hillsides. He considers it matter of considerable profit. He would not plant maple saplings dug from the forest, but would raise seedlings. After the Fall rains small maple seedlings may be found in any maple grove, and they may be pulled up by the fingers. Hundreds can be collected in an hour where they are abundant. These little seedlings may be transplanted to a rich place in the garden, two feet apart each way. In three or four years these trees will be fit for transplanting, and they will overtake maple saplings ing, and they will overtake maple saplings and the legal fees, and has secured a cancellation which are transplanted from the woods when 10 feet high.

- The French, who are economical in every way, even utilize the dead carcases of their animals which die from disease or otherwise. The dead animals are converted into rich superphosphate by means of sulphuric acid. It would seem that the method is an excellent and practical one as regards the public health and the - A farmer who takes the trouble to find out

economical production of fertilizers. what his soil, climate, and location are best suited to produce, and selects from these such things as his taste, capacity, and facilities will still drawing the pension at same rate. On looking enable him to cultivate to the best advantage, and keeps on that line through thick and thin, of Chief of Artillery and Ordnance on Gen. Steele's has as sure hold on success as is vouchsafed any calling or occupation here below.

- A correspondent of the N. Y. Tribune, after a year's residence in Dakota, writes to urge people not to think of migrating to that Territory without first sending a trustworthy man to see exactly what the conditions are-instead of depending upon tailread or land agents' circulars, or the possibly too favorable views of the local papers. His letter speaks in detail of extortions of various corporations and middlemen; of high price for fuel; of "very hard' Winters; and, finally, advises Eastern people who are making a living to let well enough | the citizens? 2. Why did not ex-Secretary Teller alone, rather than take risk, by removal, of encountering "ills they know not of."

- Stones may be made very useful by placing them around plants and trees as a mulch. Thus used under trees, especially evergreens, they are very valuable. One advantage over ordinary mulch in using stones is that weeds are not so likely to spring up among them. - The Massachusetts Board of Agriculture

cites a suggestive instance—that of a liveryman who spread the stable refuse from 15 horses on 14 acres of meadow-several successive years, and harvested three crops each season, aggregating 71 tons good hay" as much as he would have secured had the manure been scattered over three times as much land." - A sanitarian of long experience is quoted

and fatal in the country (where everything would seem to be conducive to health) than in cities—to the presence of decaying vegetable matter in house cellars. FALLING of the great bridge that spans the East River!

OUR CORRESPONDENTS. Beplies to Questions on a Variety of Interesting

arate sheet of paper, give full name and address, and mark it "Correspondents' Column." No attention will be paid to communications that are not accompanied with full name and address of writer. Our readers are requested to inclose a stamp for reply to their inquiries.]

G. N. H., Bristol, Conn.—A soldier dies in hospital of typhoid fever; his widow receives a pension, and dies leaving a dependent father, aged 88, without any means of support. Is he entitled to pension? Answer. No. To entitle dependent parents to pension the soldier must not have left a widow or children. The pension ends with the death of the widow, if no child of the soldier under 16 years

of age survives her. J. M. R., Birmingham, Iowa.-Nov. 15, 1881, 1 filed claim for increase of pension; was examined by Sorgeon Jan. 11, 1882; again June 14, 1882, by the same Surgeon; Nov. 1, 1882, by Examining Board in another County; Jan. 14, 1883, was before a different Board of Examining Surgeons; April 26, 1883, claim was rejected on medical grounds. I then applied for a rehearing, which was granted, and was ordered before another Board of Examining Surgeons July 11, 1883. Claim rejected Dec. 13, 1883, on similar grounds as at first. In April, 1884, I asked for a reopening, and was again ordered be-fore a Board of Examining Surgeons Dec. 17, 1884. April 1, 1885, notice of increase was sent to my attorney, the increase dating back only to Dec. 17, 1884, the date of last examination. Am I entitled to increase from date of my first examination, Jan. 11, 1882, or only from last examination? Answer You are entitled to an increase only from the date when the examination gave you the increase, viz. Dec. 17, 1884. Your right to increase from Jan 11, 1882, to last examination was denied by the rejection of your claim for increase.

W. H. D., Granger, Mo.—Is there any law pensioning heirs of soldiers who served in the war of

Answer, No. C. H. R., Quincy, Mass., and J. E. A., Swampscott, Mass.—One-year men discharged prior to service of six full months, or prior to service of twelve full nonths, were not entitled to the instalments of bounty due at those periods unless discharged for wounds received in line of duty. The payment of unteers who enlisted between July 18, 1864, and May 1, 1865, for one, two and three years.

H. L., Mahomet, Ill.—I was pensioned in 1867, for gunshot wound, at \$8 per month; in 1871 was inreased to \$15. By special act of Congress June 8, 1882, all pensions rating at \$15 per month were increased to \$18. In 1875, on biennial examination, was reduced to \$8. Then I called for re-examina

made application for an increase on a new disability and was granted an increase of \$1 per month from the time I was reduced in 1875. The Commissioner of Pensions stated I had been drawing in excess of my disability. Was I not entitled to the I from the time of discharge under the Arrearage S. L. A., Plymouth, O.-1. When did the time expire for paying arrears of pension? Was the time ever extended, and, if so, for how long? 2. A solyear's growth and should be carefully cut off, dier filed his claim in February, 1883. Is he entitled leaving from two to three buds upon each, ac- to arrears of pension if his claim is allowed? Answer. 1. We presume you mean up to what date a claim could be filed to draw arrears. June 39, 1880, the Arrears Act expired, and it has never been

extended. No claim filed since that date can draw S. J. R. South Richland, N. Y .- There never has been, and never will be, any law, order, or decision that will give to enlisted men discharged to accept the bounty that they would have received had they served out their enlistment in the ranks. Bounty was due them on the condition that they should serve their time as enlisted men, and by accepting promotion they forfeited all bounty due as enlisted men.

H. C., Sni Mills, Mo,-Does a man have to prove eby it is shown that he was un enlistment.

G. F. R., Duluth .- To settle dispute, state the ex-J. W., Slaterville, N. Y .- A pensioner fails toreceive her check for pension due on March 4, the duplicate check? Please give full explanation of the whole matter. 2. Can she draw her pension, which is due June 4, or will she have to wait until the duplicate check is issued? Answer. 1. She should request the peusion agent to stop payment of the cheek, and at the end of six months a duplicate may be issued by the Pension Agent under certain condi

tions, which will be explained by him. 2. She can draw June 4 for that quarter. S. C., Davis, Ill .- Please state whether there was any 15-cent serip issued? Answer. Yes; fractional currency of the denomination of 15 cents was issued D. C. C., Odessa, N. Y.-Our reply in our last issue was not as full as we desired. Officers who resigned crease, resulting from the growth of wood on on account of disability contracted in service and in line of duty are entitled to traveling allowances. abandoned fields. The abundance of coal has checked the consumption of wood as fuel. The who resigned for reasons other than for disability greatest enemy of the forests is the owner of a contracted in service and in line of duty was not steam saw-mill, and the Forestry Commission | entitled to any travel pay or allowances, and has no claim on that account.

C. W., Rogersfield, N. Y.—I made application for

peasion on hernia and gunshot wound; claim for hernia was allowed, but heard nothing from gunshot wound. 1. Will I have to make out a new claim for gunshot wound? 2. Or will I have to ap ing the careless as well as the malicious authors | ply for increase on another disability? 3. If I do, will I have to return my certificate to the Pension Office? Answer. No to all the above. The claim for wound is pending, and probably requires fur-C. H. R., Bon, Wis .- I received \$75 in place of artificial leg May, 1865, and 875 in March, 1881. Am I entitled to 875 this May, 1885? Answer. Yes, if you have not drawn an artificial leg. An artificial

limb or commutation therefor is allowed every J. E. W., Auburn, N. Y.-After a claim has been allowed, how long does the pensioner draw a pension? Is it for a limited or an unlimited time? Is he subject to medical examination afterwards? If so, when, and how often? That is, when pensioned fresh seed and manure occasionally, and the for disease. Auswer. A pension is granted and continues to the pensioner for life, providing his dis-ability continues. He is not subject to medical ex-amination thereafter, unless the Pension Office had reason to suspect that he had recovered from the disability for which pensioned, and in that case a medical examination might be ordered to deter-

> W. A. B., Pleasanton, Kan .- A soldier died in 1880, with an application for pension made before June 30, 1880. He left two children under 16 at his death his arrears of pension? If his claim is rejected, can the children get pension from death of father to time they become 16 years old? This is upon the supposition that the children have a regular guardian. Answer. No as to minor children. The former widow of the soldier can complete his claim and draw his arrears if claim is allowed. If claim is rejected no pension is paid. If he died from a cause that was incident to his service the children can apply for pension by a guardian, and are entitled from date of remarriage of the widow to the date they each become 16 years of age. If the widow did not apply for pension for herself and chil-dren during her widewhood, no pension can be paid during that period, i. e., if he died after June

> C. T. B., Rockwell City, Kan., asks if it is unlawful for men to contest homesteads and sell the contests? Answer. A contestant has nothing to sell. Until he has contested, paid the expenses of such contest contested homestead, he has no title therete. A buyer of such a visionary title would not acquire any privilege.
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> C. L. E., Wilderville, Orc. -A person who enters upon an abandoned homestead without filing an

application to contest, does not inherit any right to the land. He must contest it in legal form and must pay all the expenses and legal fees, and must procure a cancellation of the original entry; this done, he has a preferred right for 30 days over any other person to institute a claim to the land.

C. D. H., Dubuque, Iowa.—At the time of my father's death he was drawing a pension of \$20 per month-the rate for a Captain of a battery, which staff, Army of Arkansas. New, as Chief of Artil lery and Ordnance, was he entitled to a higher rate of pension than that of Captain? If so, can his widew apply for and obtain the same? Answer No, unless he was regularly commissioned by the Governor of his State to a higher rank than Captain and centracted his disability while serving under such higher commission. O., G eat Bend, Kan .- M enlisted in Sept., 1861, to serve three years, and was discharged Jan., 1863, on account of disability from disease. Is he entitled to bounty? Answer. No.

J. M. W., Melrose, Ill.-1. Was there ever a time

during the late war that the Union General commanding the forces at Nashville, Tenn., had to turn his cannon on the streets to suppress an uprising of make his rulings in regard to the soundness of men who enlisted in the service prior to enlistment sooner than he did? 3. What is the pay and allow-ance of Special Examiners of the Pension Office? Answer, I. We never heard of such an event. 2. We do not know; you had better ask him, 3, In addition to their salaries as elerks of the Pension Office at \$1,400 or \$1,600 per annum, they receive \$3 per diem for subsistence, and their actual traveling expenses are paid by the Government. A. J. B., Detroit, Minn.—I was mustered as a private Jan. 18, 1862. I re-enlisted as a veteran Jan. 18, 1864; was finally discharged June 25, 1865—the Surgeon fearing I would not lit to get home. I was discharged 13 days, I think, before the regiment was mustered out. As General Orders, No. 77, was issued on April 28, 1865, I think I ought to be entitled to full veteran bounty; but my discharge was by reason of disability. Do you think I am estitled or not? Quite a large number are interested in

this. Answer, You are not entitled under the law by The Christian Union as tracing typhoid fever | to full bounty, because you were discharged for disone of the filth diseases much more prevalent | ease. You were only entitled to the instalment that had accrued up to the time you were discharged. A. W. C., Ashton, R. I.-1. Is a seldier entitled to \$100 bounty, in accordance with act of Ap il 22, 1872, who enlisted June 6, 1861, and was discharged in 1862, for disability, having served less than two years? 2. If so, to what Department should application be made? Answer. 1. Yes, if he enlisted for

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J. M., Indian Spring, Fla.-Your friend is not en-Geo. W. S., Albia, Iowa.—The act of March 3, 1865, provided three months' pay proper to all officers below the rank of Brigadier-General who were in service at that date, and who served continuously thereafter to April 9, 1865, and were subsequently honorably discharged.

THE QUESTION SQUAD. Comrades' Queries and Replies-Odds and Ends of

J. O. Russell, East Granite Falls, Minn., has it his possession a volume of cavalry tactics, which formerly belonged to Maj. W. W. Woods, 4th Iowa Cav. He will be glad to return it.—James H. Criss, Co. K, 2d Ohio, would like to know the whereabouts of Frederick Augustine, who was a fellow-prisoner of his at Libby, and was a great hand to steal food from the rebels and divide it with his comrades .- Elijah Fentress, Co. A, 17th Ky., would like to hear of some of the exploits of his regiment.—Thomas Fetter, Washington Kan., would like to know the address of some officer or comrade of Co. H. 17th Ill. Cav., who knew William Ditzler, of said company, in 1864.

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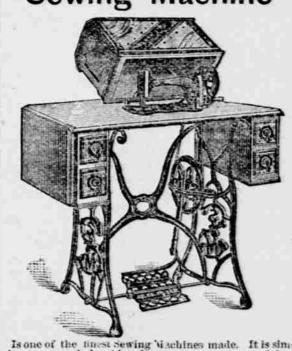
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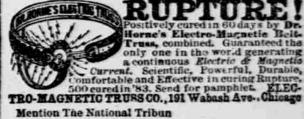
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